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The immigration of Koreans to the United States is traced from 1903, and the contributions Korean Americans have made to the United States are identified in this book which is part of a series for children. The number of Korean immigrants, small for many years, increased dramatically with the easing of government restrictions in the 1960s, until, by 1990, there were nearly 800,000 Korean Americans, most of whom live in urban areas. Korean Americans have faced discriminatory laws and social prejudice, but they have persevered to make valuable contributions to America's culture and landscape. Korean Americans, many of whom have chosen to operate small businesses, have contributed extensively to the revitalization of urban areas. Important aspects of Korean American life have been their high regard for education and the high educational level achieved by many Korean Americans. (SLD)

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